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THE

Wreck of Westminster Abbey,

ALIAS

The YEAR TWO THOUSAND,

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The ORDEAL of SEPULCHRAL CANDOUR;

BEING A SELECTION FROM THE

MONUMENTAL RECORDS

OF THE MOST

CONSPICUOUS PERSONAGES,

Who flourished towards the latter End of the *Eighteenth Century*, and which from their Impartiality, have ever been considered a convincing Testimony of the Independence of the *Age*; including some *Royal*, as well as *Noble* and *Literary Personages*.

—IN MORTUIS DICERE VERUM,
QUID VETAT?

Horatii Transmigratio.

With Pomp and Prodigality of Phrase,
To indite the tow'ring Pile, when inward
Lies entomb'd, a Lump of perjur'd Guilt!
Of dastard Cowardice! of Inhumanity!

ANON.

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WHEN Effeminacy, when Luxury, and when every thing that can tend to the Destruction of Human Nature and to the—— of our S—ls hereafter, not only prevail at this Moment, but also contribute to the perversion of Veracity on the Mausolean Register, it may not be improper, though unacceptable to publish the following Epitaphs, which have distinguished themselves, and the Age in which they were written for their Impartiality, and which on the late tremendous Wreck of Westminster Abbey, might have been lost to the World, and to the Triumph of Veracity over unprincipled Panegyrick.

The EDITOR.

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O R D E A L
OF
SEPULCHRAL CANDOUR.

ON a small Tablet near the Choir.

Sacred to the Memory of
H——r L———h P~~iczz~~i,
Of Johnsoniana Notoriety,
Who, possessed at an early Period of the Advan-
tages of an Academical Education,
joined to some Ability,
Became more the Subject of Admiration and
Respect, than the Companion of
Conviviality and Mirth;
But who was not the less satisfied of the Conveni-
ences of Marriage, however the delights
of Love might be estranged from
her breast, as her Con-
nexion with
Mr. T~~hral~~e,
An opulent Brewer, evinced.

In this Situation, it was she met with Dr. J——n,
 and an intimacy commenced, which afford-
 ed her all the Gratification of Litera-
 ture and Ability, and most
 probably would have
 lasted 'till his
 death;

Had she not proved the old Observation,
Quam variabilis semper est fœmina,
 Which her learned friend is said to have re-
 peated, upon hearing of her second
 Nuptial tie with
 Mr. P——i,

An Italian Singing Master.
 Considering him as she formerly had done,
 rather a convenience than a Com-
 panion and Friend :

But here, probably, had she sunk into Obscu-
 rity, had not she sacrificed her late worthy
 Acquaintance to the Gratification
 of her own Vanity.

Among others stood forward this Heroine
 of the Plume ;

Among others she dragged forth from Obli-
 vion, that which should have re-
 mained in Oblivion,

The trifling incidents of private Friendship.
 But not among others, but above others, did he
 consider her as his Friend, therefore the less
 should she have contributed to the ca-
 lumniating his Conduct, and to
 the blasting of that Fame,
 which he so eminently
 deserved;

But the Public thought so meanly of her after this Breach of private Friendship, that willing to avoid the Sneer of Disapprobation, she retired into Italy, and soon after gave up the Ghost, blasting her Countrymen, for treating that Merit with disdain, and for wanting that Taste, which she conceived she so eminently possessed.

On a Monument at the foot of Captain B——'s.

With a Sarcophagus representing Lady W——
naked, bathing, and Captain B——attending;
Underneath inscribed "with all my Heart,"
to the Memory of Sir R——d W——y, Bart.
Joined to an uncommon degree of conjugal
Affection,

He possessed every requisite for the Gratification
of the Inclinations of his Friend.

Simple, pusillanimous, and good Natured,
He conceived no possible Injury could be derived
from a Soldier's inspection of the naked
Beauties of a libidinous Wife.

The Bath was the place where Sir R——d exalted
Captain B——on his Shoulders, that through
a Window he might delight his
visible Organ.

Cuckoldism succeeded, an Action for Crim. Con. followed, and Sir R—had the Satisfaction of obtaining *One Shilling Damages*.

From that Period, 'till his Death, he resided on the Continent, the innocent friend of an hour's Chit Chat among the Ladies, and from whom Husbands might apprehend no cause for Jealousy.

In the middle of the Choir is erected a small Table, with a Bust supported by the Tragic Muse.

To the Memory of
Mrs. Siddons,

Educated to the profession of an Actress;
She in a few Years distinguished herself for uncommon Powers in the Service of
Melpomene.

But in her private Life, she was mean, contemptible, and the Xantippe of her Husband.

Thus, in her artificial Capacity, she was compassionate, wan, and melancholy;

But her real Existence was so differently characterized, that her Counterfeits became
a Matter of Wonder.

In the Year 18—she departed this Life after having accumulated by uncommon Success and contemptible Parsimoniousness, an immense Fortune;

Admire

Admired for her uncommon Powers, but
unlamented for her Vices.

On a plain unadorned Stone.

Here lies a Man,
Whose Abilities being not only Universal,
but Unbounded,
Made him as much the Subject of Admiration
among his enemies as his Friends;
His Name was ~~Thom~~^{Thom}w, of obscure birth,
He drank, he w—d, he practised every species of
Debauchery and Excess: He attempted, but
had never Resolution in the impetuosity
of Youth to enure himself to
Application;
The Laws he first superficially studied, and he
rose in defiance of all the endeavours of
his industrious Rivals,
Through successive Gradation, at length he filled
that Seat, which he was born to adorn,
Rewarded and dignified by his Sovereign,
Impartiality guided him clear of party Extremes,
and, however, at times,
Moroseness and Impetuosity might be uncur-
bed by Reason;
Justice dictated his Decrees,
Mercy healing the Wound of unmerited
Persecution:

In the Year 18—he died of age,
An irretrievable Loss most sincerely condoled.

Near the North Entrance on a pompous
Monument.

The Courtier, the Hypocrite, and, the Slave
of unprecedented——,
To the Memory of the wily
—— — L——d ——,
Who from obscurity by——means gained Re-
ward and Honours, when he deserved a——,
Who ruled by fordidness, grasped at what
he could not hold,
And who solicited what stained the Consequence
of an Honourable Assembly;
But pass on, Reader, what he has done can only
raise disgust, and which, for the honour of
this Abbey, had better be disregarded
than revenged on the Fane that me-
morates his i——Spirit.

At the Entrance of the North Door.

On a very superb Monument (erected by Public
Munificence) with an Emblem of Cha-
rity mourning over his Grave,

To the Memory of

J——n H——d, Esq.

A Citizen of the World,

Whose delight was to behold the smile of
Chearfulness centre in the Counte-
nance of all Men.

Misfortune not only drew from his Godlike Soul,
Compassion, but when Virtue fell, he was
ever ready to apply a relief,

And when Vice received its due, Consolation
was uppermost in his Breast :

When Youth is generally confined in In-
ebriation and Folly,

When Compassion perhaps only dimples
the Cheeks of Virtue,

Or when selfish Enjoyments make us callous
to the Wants of others ;

He, at an early Period of his Existence, was
expending a Fortune in the Service
of the World.

He travelled not for idle Curiosity, but as Mis-
fortune was ever uppermost in his Ideas,

He visited the Houses of Misfortune ;

By his Bounty, innumerable are the worthy Mem-
bers of Society that had been released
from confinement and cor-
roding despair,

And Abuses in these hellish Habitations have
been reformed by his Activity and
Munificence.

Nor

Nor have his Virtues been only confined to his own
Country, but by his presence have extended
throughout the World;

How often have the Prayers of the temporary
Widow, and the Blessings of the Orphan
attended his Perambulations !

How, often has the Frantickness of Desperation
been converted by him unto gladdening Joy !

And, how often has he changed a scene of
Family Want to Chearfulness
and Affluence !

For Virtues so truly transcendent, his Country-
men while he was abroad, subscribed many
Thousand Pounds to raise a Monument
to his Memory;

But wherefore raise a Pile of Architecture, to a
Man, who had already built his Fame upon
the Basis of Immortality ?

Wherefore by idle parade hurt the Feel-
ings of a Christian Hero ?

He OBJECTED TO THEIR BENEFICENT
INTENTIONS;

And the Money was appropriated to the
discharge of Prisoners,

An appropriation more consonant to the
inclinations of an

H O W A R D.

After having passed a Life so agreeable to the Will
of the Divine Creator, he entered into the
blessed Regions of Immortality, on
the 4th of August, 18—

*Exegit monumentum ære perennius
Regalique situ Pyramidum altius ;
Quod non imber edax, non Aquilo impotens
Possit diruere, aut innumerabilis
Annorum series, & fuga temporum.*

In a Vault under the middle Ayle, scattered
over with Fragments of *Worlds* passed over,
are two Leaden Coffins, with the follow-
ing Inscription.

Ti tum tum, ti tum ti,—Sic tranfit gloria mundi!

Here lie

Johnny Nokes and Thomas Styne, alias
C——n T——m, and Parson E——, alias
“ My own Life,”

Who fet the World afloat and all the
Nonsense in it.

Blow, ye Printer's Devils; blow, ye Minions of
the morning Horn, the Fame, the far spread

Fame of these two noble Worthies,

Who mad with the furor scribendi, scribbled
to reform the World,

And who in the *World* announced to the World,
That coxcomical Absurdity predominated
in the former;

That Ignorance, Stupidity, Affectation, Ribaldry,
and Nonsense were conspicuous in the imita-
tive lexiphanic Labours of the Latter;

And that in both,

Of Virtues there were none,—Of Vices
there were some,

But of Follies there were abundance, to
fill the World,

To catch the World, and lead the World
in Trammels;

Happy, however, was it for themselves, that their
Absurdities were little regarded,

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And that their scandalous Plume seldom ex-
 cited deserved Chastisement,
 Because they were below Contempt :
 What the one asserted, it was the Business of
 the other to contradict ;
 Thus were Paragraphs built without a foundati-
 on ; and of what they were always defi-
 cient in, real Knowledge,
 Their Vanity supplied :
 Probably a senseless and an affectionate Pair, they
 might have seen an Age, when Dotardness
 would have been more excusable :
 Had not B——l, their Pander once, but now their
 Master, kicked them out of the World, when
 they were no longer of service to him-
 self, and no longer the Sport of
 others, exclaiming that
 “ They were lovely in their Lives, and in their
 Deaths they *should* not be divided.”

In a most conspicuous Part of the Abbey,
 near the Altar, is erected a Sumptuous dis-
 play of Architecture, for which Sir John
 in his last Will bequeathed Three Thou-
 sand Pounds, that his Name might not be
 mingled in Obscurity with vulgar Commem-
 oration ; he also in his Life Time purchased
 as his own Estate, the Walls and Pavement
 within ten Yards of this Monument, with
 Order

Orders that no less a Man than a Duke should be interred within that Space, that his Remains might not be contaminated by the obscurity of those of his Neighbours.

To the immortal memory of

Sir J~~ohn~~n H——s, Knt. *Hawkins*

In the Office of Sitting Magistrate at Hicks's Hall, He behaved with such unjustifiable Tyranny, and his Pride was swoln to so enormous a Magnitude, as to make it necessary to wrest the Sceptre from his Hand.

Being a professed Musician, he wrote a History thereof, in Five Volumes 4to. which he had the Satisfaction to behold either cover'd with Cobwebs, or in the hands of some fair Nymph, as the Safeguard of a Farthing's worth of Cheese, or a Pound of Rush-lights.

However, without any of the Requisites for a good Writer, he became Editor of the Works of Dr. J—n, and also his Biographer;

But Sir J—n was not to be intimidated by the rough treatment his Life of that great Man met with.

Many other Works he compiled and wrote, and he had the Satisfaction to suppose, upon his death Bed, that he had procured Immortality by his *voluminous* Productions.

On a small Urn in the middle of the Chancel

Blessed are the Peace Makers!

To the Memory of

W~~illiam~~ P~~ell~~ y M~~ary~~ of L~~ancaster~~ n.

When E——l of S——e, he was the principal
Leader of an unpopular Administration:

In this Capacity he patched up an ignominious
Peace, was created a M——s, and then
turned out of his Employment.

In his last Agonies, he d——d his Countrymen
for being so indifferent to his Welfare, and
considered himself as the most worthy
Man in his Nation for having pro-
cured a cessation of Hostilities
upon any Terms.

O VANITAS! tu dominator es ineptorum.

In the middle Ayle, on a small Monument
nearly dissever'd by repeated Acts of Violence.

To the Memory of the frail

Lady A~~lice~~ F~~oley~~ y,

Youth, Beauty, and Vivacity.

Charms that enrapture with fond Felicity the
Breast of a Clown centering in her Lady-
ship, no wonder intic'd the Heart of
Mr. F~~oley~~ into a matrimonial
Connection:

But when an uncommon share of natural fire cor-
 ruscates in the Breast of a Woman,
 Wild Ecstacies destroy all the powers of
 partial Felicity :

More able Companions than her Husband were
 necessary to insure happiness and Grati-
 fication to her desires,

L—d P——h supplied the deficiency, and by many
 uncommon Efforts, proved his ability. .

An action consequently for C—C—, was com-
 menced against his Lordship by Mr. F— ;

Her L——unrestrained in her Connections, now
 rioted without Molestation in the Arms
 of her Beloved ;

And many other distinguished Characters sup-
 plied his Place, when agreeable to this
 Disciple of Cytherea.

But as human Transports were not formed for
 Eternity, a debilitated Constitution carried
 her Ladyship off in the 40th Year of her
 Age, after having sacrificed la-
 vishly at the shrine of her
 favourite Goddess.

On a Coffin, cover'd with Cobwebs and Dust
 in the Family Vault.

D. of Norfolk

At an early Period of his terrestrial abode, when
 _____ he abjured the Er-
 rors of Popery ;

And

And upon the death of his Sire, was the first
Peer of that Title that sat in the

— — — ;

He was distinguished as an able Man and Good
Orator, But Preferment and Riches had
such an — upon his —, That he was
considered as the — Administration ;

And his Inattention to the Embellishments, or
even cleanliness of dress, prevented his being
a Favourite with the Ladies, but this he
considered as a convenient dis-

charge from female

Impertinence,

And actually died from the Putrid effects of a
Shirt, which he had worn too long with a View
to keep his ~~D~~utchess at a distance.



Here rests

A vain, an insolent, but not a diverting, rather
a mourning Vagabond A would-be Gar-
rick, but ever was a K — e.

As a Dramatist he gained Riches through the In-
terest of his Siddonian Relative ;

But never acquired Celebrity.

In his manner stiff, awkward, and conceited ;
In his Utterance, turgid, precise, and universally
monotonical: Affecting that which he ever did
but affect, The Character of a Critic ;

Disregarding that which he ever should have re-
garded, An Appeal to the Passions, and
an Imitation of the Manners of
Mankind.

When

When his Sister quitted the theatric Boards,
which she had trod with uncommon and
deserving Reputation,

He was discharged; the Managers no longer be-
ing induced to preserve a stiff and infen-
sible Mummy.

He died of the Cacoethes famæ, October, 18—.

In a most conspicuous part of the Chancel,
and under a most elegant display of sepul-
chral Architecture,

Are deposited the Remains of

— * * * *

The early part of his Life was conducted with all
the impetuosity of Riot and Debauchery,
Youthful, Healthy, and unextinguishable in his
Desires at the same Time unfettered by the
Shackles of Government:

He pursued a course of uninterrupted Libertinism,
the lively Bacchus, and the darling God-
dess Venus were his Associates.

Say not, conscientious Reader, this was beneath
his dignity, rather consider it as the ebul-
lition of youthful folly.

By an unprovided-for course of Extravagance;
By the numerous Pensioners to which his un-
bounded Charity dictated as proper Objects,
And by the erection of a Palace compatible with
his Princely Dignity,

His Finances were so exhausted, that an Ap-
plication to parliament for immediate as-
sistance was necessary:

When

But

But this was violently opposed by his Royal Father,
and the seconding of the Motion refused by
the Ministry. Why, say you, Reader?
Because he would not coincide with their unpo-
pular Measures;

He nobly disdained their Terms, and in conse-
quence thereof, sold by Public Auction, eve-
ry Article of Princely Luxury, stop'd
the Completion of his Palace, and
resigned the greatest Part of
his Revenue for the Dis-
charge of his Creditors.

As he was steady in his Public Principles, and
firm in the Support of popular Happiness,
So the Conduct of his Father was beneath his
Regal Dignity,

Consider'd as an alien, he was refused Admittance
after a Journey by Midnight of upwards of se-
venty Miles to congratulate his Majesty on
his Escape from Assassination; and re-
ceived many other visible Marks of
Indignity with unshaken
Fortitude:

Yet filial Affection predominated in his Com-
position:

Nor was he ever known to speak disrespectfully of
his Sire.

Upon his Accession to the Throne, in imitation of
his Great Predecessor Harry 5th, the Ex-
travagance of youthful Pleasures was
abated, and the People with unu-
sual Effusions of Joy, beheld
a Wise and Virtuous Mo-
narch adorn the Crown.

His

His Actions were guided by Men of the first
rate Abilities ;

And those Men were the Friends of the People.
Uninfluenced by Venality and Party, G — B —
saw her Councils rise to an uncommon degree
of Respectability, both at Home and
Abroad, her Fleets regarded as the
Umpires of the Ocean, and
her Armies considered as
the Forces of Justice.

As a private Gentleman, he was easy, affable, and
his heart ever open to the Cries of Distress.
In a great old Age, respected and adored by his
People, he sunk into the Grave, lamented
(beyond the Power of figurative Expres-
sion to describe) by his Subjects.

On a plain Marble Monument, to the Re-
collection of his R — H the D — of Y —
and A —, P — B — of O —, &c.

In his Manners, Disposition, and Frugality, he
bore a near Resemblance unto his
Father, — * * *

In, Ability, Insensibility, and Absurdity he
had not his Likeness.

And after having dragged on an Existence until
the Year 19, growing weary of the Expens-
ces of House-keeping, and the Solicita-
tions of his Creditors, he put a pis-
tol to his Head, and by resigning
one, ended all his Cares.

On an elegant Mausoleum next his Brother.

To the Memory of
His R——H——P——W——H——D——of
L——H——A——of E——
What Jolly Tar, art thou among the dull Inhabi-
tants of this Edifice?
Thy Conviviality, thy good Temper should have
a little longer cheered the Bumper:
Say? was it a Drunken Fit, or a Love Fit, or is
what Fit Death tapped thee on the Shoulder?
No—it was in the Service of my Country I fell
and tho' it deprived me of the Enjoyment of
Life a little sooner, I glory in the Event.
Right, young Hero— tho' Folly, Indiscretion
and Debauchery mark'd thy Youth, *courage-*
ous Patriotism will cover a World
of Sins!

On a Black Marble Monument,

R E A D E R!

This Inscription does not record the Virtues, but
the Deeds of one who under the Semblage
of Justice, effected what is too black
to relate.

His Name was———, patronised and at the
Instigation of———, in *India*, in his Si-
tuation of *Chief Justice*, he committed
the most flagrant Cruelties:

And as the Darkneſs of his Character was evident;
 So his Abilities ſhone with uncommon Luſtre.
 Neceſſitated to fly from Juſtice, in G—— B——,
 he fell a Victim to the Revenge of thoſe
 whom he had Plundered, Anno
 Domini, 17—

Where Nature's Laws to Luxury's give way;
 Where callous Hearts make Gold their Idol God,
 And pageant Nabobs ape a Monarch's rule,
 In tinsel'd Robes, that dazzle to the Sun,
 Reflecting Light upon the Villain's Face,
 Aiding, the Phyſiognomiſt profound,
 To drag the vile Diſſempler from beneath,
 The 'luring Smile; poor ſubterfuge of Guilt,
 O Avariciouſneſs! thou Bane of Mortals,
 To gratify one ſenſual Appetite,
 Inſignificant, Unprofitable,
 Nay damnable to thy Exiſtence;
 Man's whole Race might rack with cruciating
 Pangs,
 The World, the Heav'ns, the Great Arcana of
 the Univerſe,
 Might ſink into everlaſting Ruin!

Near the Eaſt Entrance,

On an elegant Superſtructure raiſed upon the
 brawny Shoulders of Satire,
 Is inſcribed the following.

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Reader!

Reader! in your Perambulations round these hal-
low'd Mansions of the Dead, arrest your
Attention one Moment on this
Offspring of Satire,

Dr. W——t,

For many Years he pass'd his earthly abode in
curing Bodily Infirmities, and in the
Salvation of Souls;

But when he was nearly arriv'd at that Period in
which he should form some Ideas
of another World,

He discover'd, *not* by a Chymical Process,
That the Visitation of the Chambers of the Sick
was not congenial to his animal Œconomy:

He quitted that career of Life, and appointed
himself POET LAUREAT to the ROYAL

ACADEMY, under the Signature of
PETER PINDAR:

But not, *Reader, believe me*, to trump Adulation
unto their Performances through a
Golden Horn,

Or enter into the Minutiæ of Criticism;
The singular Evolutions of his Genius, however
displayed in these Performances,

Rais'd his Poetical Reputation, and in the Wane of
Life, though a Juvenile Author, deno-
minated him the Satirist of the Day;

Next Monarchs met his powerful Pen, and he in
hostile Rage, turn'd the Insigniæ of
Royalty into merciless Contempt;

Goliath J——n's travelling Biographer next fell,
And seem'd to add consequence to his for-
mer Victories;

Thus unrivalled Master of the Field,

Kings

Kings, Courts, and Courtiers were deservedly reprobated by his venomous Satire.

It must appear very extraordinary to Posterity, that a Man possessed of such uncommon Powers should so long exist without exercising his Talents ;

But from obscurity by a sudden Emanation, He placed himself in the first Rank of Authors, and was beyond Disputation, the most eminent Satyrist existing in that particular Period :

After a short, but lively Reign, he entered into the dull Abodes of the Dead, Reprobated by the World for having adhered too much to temporary and not having left behind him, Works that would insure him immortal Fame.

If it is in the Power of Human Nature to retrieve the Recollection of

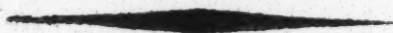
Sir G — y Page Turner, Bart.

This Monument is intended for that Purpose.

Educated as a Gentleman and Heir to a magnificent Fortune, he might have conducted himself as the Supporter of the Liberties of the People ;

But

But inticed into the Company of Sharpers, his
 Estates were mortgaged beyond
 hopes of Redemption ;
 To retrieve his shattered Finances, he obtained
 a Seat in the Senate,
 But inability marked his political Career ;
 At length he retired into the Arms of his sweet
 Enchantress——



Sacred to the remains of the
 Hon. ~~William Eden~~,
 In a Whig Administration, he shone as a distin-
 guished Member,
 But as soon as Riches were not to be obtained
 by coinciding with their Measures,
 He was equally zealous for the Principles
 of Toryism :
 In his latter Connections, he was employed in
 the Adjustment of a Commercial
 Treaty with F——e,
 And was soon after appointed Ambassador to the
 Court of Spain ;
 But had no longer the Reputation of a Man
 of Ability,
 He died of a broken heart for want of
 profitable Preferment.
 Sep, 179—.

On a neat Tablet.

To the Memory of
 Dr. ~~Tho~~ s. ~~Thur~~w, B——p of D——m,
 Who unaided by Ability, Learning, or Industry,
 Rose to the most lucrative Preferment in the
 Church, through the Interest of a Brother,
 whose Superiorities amply supplied
 his Deficiencies.

He was for upwards of thirty Years a Member of
 the House of Lords,

But was never known to open his Lips, holding
 that Proverb in recollection,

He is accounted Wise who does not prove
 himself Otherwise,

And the words of Rochester reversed, may
 not inaptly be applied to him,

Here lies he who never said a good Thing,
 nor ever did a bad one.

In an obscure Corner of the Chancel, remain
 some faint Vestiges of a Monument, nearly
 destroyed by popular Abuse,

Raised to the Memory of
 —— —, Earl of ——,
 The Supporter of —— —
 The —— of the People :

In the Senate, at a very early Period, he display-
 ed his oratorical Abilities,

And

And governed by a restless Ambition before he
 had arrived at Years of maturity, was
 placed in the most elevated Situati-
 on, that of Minister over a
 Free People :

But by a Series of unprecedented Measures, the
 Affections of a Kingdom that had adored
 his Sire, became distorted, and the Viru-
 lence of an ——Populace was ready
 to annihilate him for ever !

However the Time did come,
 When unable to withstand the impetuous Torrent
 that issues from ——'s Wound ;
 His Master dismissed him from his Service, and
 under the Cloak of P——ge, preserved him
 from the —— — :

But contumely towards him ever sat on the Brow
 of an injured Public, despised by all,
 Supported by none ;

The Evening of his Age was closed in repairing
Thorns, sown by his own untracta-
 ble Disposition.

In his private Capacity, he was equally estranged
 from the Comforts of Friendship,
 Untangeable to the Attractions of Women,
 Unallured by the softer Sensations of Love ;
 It is not to be wonder'd at, that pedantic Morose-
 ness and haughtiness of Demeanour, should
 accompany his public and private Cha-
 racter : At length he departed this
 Life in the Year 18—, after
 having waged through a
 continual scene of
 Odium.

Once flattered by servile Hypocrisy,
Admired for his Abilities,
But detested for his Principles.

On a marble Monument, with Scandal weeping over her beloved Son, is inscribed the following.

Disturb not his departed Soul, and raise a Dæmon
unto Life;

But let the human form of

—— —, Esq.

Be extirpated from the World,

Possessed of Ability, Learning, and Independence;
a small portion of his Time was devoted to
literary Criticisms, and upon a firm
Foundation, he has established
his literary Eminence;

But upon a still firmer, has he erected his private
Villanies, without Friendship for
any Man,

Without Regard for any characteristic Symbol, but Deception!

He has proved himself a Scourge to Society, and
blasted the best of Characters.

At the Time he has reprobated the Authors of
Scandal, to the Subjects of Scandal,
He has been the Author himself;

At a Time he has professed Friendship to Families
He has been their Traducer !

It has been no uncommon Practice with him to
send scandalous Letters, to create Mischief
among coresidentail Relations ;

And he has introduced himself into the good
Graces of Fathers, with a view to de-
bauch their Daughters !

If you say Reader, this is more than human
Infamy can arrive at,
Thou art mistaken :

A Detail of the Villainies of this—is far be-
yond the Compass of a Mausoleum ;

And as infamous Actions were his Delight,

As Scandal was his darling Goddess,

Let his Soul depart to Hell, its proper Habitation

After having closed a damnable Existence,
Anno Domini, 18—.

Dedecorum pretiosus emptor.

In a Corner of the Chancel is erected a Mo-
nument (with a Sarcophagus representing
a Printer's Devil and Hydra-Criticism in
Conjunction)

To the Memory of

W——m W——l, who was originally brought
up a Printer, and afterwards became a Strol-
ling Player of no Eminence,

He reverted, however, to his former Occupation;
 And as the conduct of a News-Paper, constantly
 attended at the Senate-House, with View
 to report the Debates,

These Reports he entitled Hasty Sketches;
 And for the uncommon Strength of his Memory,
 evinced in this Employment, he was particu-
 larly distinguished.

But when a Man has arrived at Eminence, in any
 particular Career of Life, he is not content-
 ed to confine himself to his own Road,
 but is ambitious of engulfing in
 one Vortex universal
 Celebrity;

And this was the case with the proud Upstart to
 whom this Tomb is elevated:

He assumed the Chair of Dramatic Criticism;
 And with all the Pride of an Indian Nabob, at-
 tempted from his Writing-Desk, to govern
 the Conduct of Managers, the Perfor-
 mances of Actors, and the Genius
 of Authors, with all the Con-
 sequentialness of unjusti-
 fiable Superiority.

By his own Dramatic Performance formerly, and
 by his Instructions latterly, he, however, con-
 trary to his Intentions, traced out the Path
 of Inability, which had this good Effect,
 that it was more easily in the Power
 of his Readers to avoid that Igno-
 rance which was so eminent-
 ly visible.

As he was haughty to his Inferiors and Equals,
and servile to his Superiors, so he evinced
himself to be the Emperor of Misfor-
tune, and the Drudge of
Independence :

At length from an unwarrantable Abuse of a
Dramatic Piece, which succeeded with distin-
guished Eclat, he was, without resistance,
soundly caned in a public Compa-
ny, and was consequently de-
throned as an Usurper
from his Dramatic
Tribunal ;

This circumstance so affected his Vanity, that he
soon after pined to Death for want of
Readers of his Scurrility.

In a Nich, near the Choir, is erected a Pom-
pous Tablet, inscribed to the Memory of
the almost forgotten P———of Adminis-
tration.

He received the established Form of a clerical
Education,

And as his Abilities were by no means superior
to the Commonalty, he would most probably
have passed his Life in the Capacity of a Coun-
try Curate, but meeting with ———, the
eminent support of ———, and evinc-
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ing some Ability for ———, he was appointed by him, his private Secretary. In this situation he more than once ——— from ———, and was esteemed every way equal to the ——— of a Minister.

Upon the Death of Dr. E——n, B——p of D——m,

A Man every way qualified both for his private and public Virtues to fill that High Office,

He succeeded to the B———of ———

But Preferment did not wipe the Stain from off his injured Character.

Despised as the Abettor of Measures, inconsistent with ———; sunk disregarded into silent Contempt:

But not so with his Emplier, who still retained him in his Service, and upon a Prospect of a Vacancy in the Primacy of all England, promised him the Successorship, but by an over Affiduity in inquiring after the Probability of his Hopes, he caught the worthy Prelate's Malady, and had the Satisfaction of primitiveness, not in earthly Honors, but ghostly Councils.

D^r Prettyman

At

At the Entrance of the Chancel, on a half-finished Mausoleum, erected by his Grace's last Orders as a parsimonious Lesson to future Ages.

To the Memory of *Bedford*

——— of ———

Who, in his Minority, succeeded to one of the most illustrious Titles and splendid Fortunes of Gr——t B——n;

But as the Virtues of his Ancestry made his Origin respectable,

So the late Possessor, by deviating from that line of Conduct,

Entail'd upon himself universal Obloquy :

When, at the most respectable Place of Education,

He, instead of studying the Ornaments of Language, the Depths of the Sciences, and the Graces of Oratory,

Consider'd the most expeditious method of accumulating a Fortune beyond the Power of Expenditure,

And as Money was his predominant Passion,

——— Gambling was his principal Resources ;

Unacquainted with the Feelings of Friendship,

Untangible to the Cries of Distress,

His Heart never knew a Moment's Concern!

Unless at the Loss of a successful Race-horse, or the Payment of his Tradesmen's Bills:

Nevertheless, possessed of Ability, that if he had
attended to Erudition, he might have
adorned his Country, and became
a distinguished Senator;

But his Mind was so warped to contemptible Pur-
suits, that it must be considered a singular hap-
piness, that his Death happened in the Prime
of Life, occasioned by the loss of a dou-
ble quantity of Blood, contrary to
the Advice of his Physician, to
the Expence of a se-
cond Bleeding.

On a Chequered Pavement.

Sacred to the Memory of the Wanton and Libi-
dinous E——S——V——G——,

Whose Life as variegated as the panto-
mimical Garb;

The Colours of which may each of them be
considered emblematic of her
numerous Destinies.

The Sable, the Gloom of a Prison which she
but too often Inhabited:

The Azure, that Calmness of Fortune she seldom
was acquainted with,

And

And the OR, that Honor, Happiness, and Affluence which was no sooner in her Grasp than discarded from self Vanity, Profligacy, and Inconsiderateness.

But to mark what she has been, and to ascertain what she should have been, cannot but be affecting and deviating from that humane, tho' unwise Injunction,

DE MORTUIS NIL NISI BONUM.

Of Ability she was an uncommon Owner :
Of Fortune, 'till she abused the Fickle Goddess she never knew the want ;

And in her Matrimonial Connection, she might have been peculiarly happy, had she not forfeited the Affections of a deserving Husband, the Friendship of her Relations, and the Esteem of her Friends, by

Infamy unparalleled ;
Prostitution unrestrained,
Extravagance unbounded :
and Perfidy unmerited.

In the 39th Year of her Age, she departed this Life, Friendless,

Worn out by Debauchery and Want.

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The following was written by himself some few Hours previous to his Dissolution, as a Lesson to future Authors.

Possessed of uncommon Powers for mimicking the Wailings of a Calf, the Brayings of an Ass, and other Musical Beasts, to the no little Entertainment of my Friends, and my own Satisfaction, how often have

I, ~~James B. O'Connell~~ 1, Esq;

Descended from the Noble House of Bruce:

Now confined within these narrow Walls,
Been applauded for my Abilities, and considered
as centering in my own Person, all the
Characteristics of the Animal Creation.

But not content with these admirable Qualities,
my Ambition must needs induce me to stand
forward as the J——n Journalist.

Which Task I now acknowledge on this my Tablet,
to have been scrupulously performed by
me; and as far as my small Abilities
could tend to the Enrichment of
the *Trivia Loquendi*.

And I do farther acknowledge that the Anger of
M——o was just in caning me for my Presumption
in scandalizing his
worthy Character.

But my most corroding Qualms of Conscience,
arise from having written the Life of my
learned fellow Traveller :

To which I now aver I was totally incapable
of doing Justice.

And for which Act I hope my Chastisement on
Earth will be final, and in full Consideration
for all my Evil doings ;

Having every Reason to suppose that the Distinc-
tions in Elysium will prevent my ever meet-
ing his justly incensed Spirit.

And as my Heart has been broke by the repeated
Indignities I have met with, for having aspir-
ed to literary Dignities, instead of pur-
suing the Profession of a Mounte-
bank for which it was in an
eminent degree qualified,

I sincerely hope that Compassion may now veil
those injurious Failings which deserve not
the Names of Vices, but which have
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Vanity ! thou Governor of all our Actions,
 thou stedfast, gratifying Friend, thou easy
 Cheat of all our Senses, and Magnifier of
 our Worth,

Record the Failings of thy ardent devotee

~~Lady Archer,~~

Quæ obiit Anno Domini, 17

A accessû invidiæ.

Whose Beauty has sway'd the Hearts of Princes,
 and curbed the impetuosity of Juvenility,
 And whose Follies, and libidinous Excesses when
 in the flower of Youth, might have found at
 the grand Climacteric, an Asylum from
 the Tongue of Scandal.

Had not thou, Vanity ! her most predominant
 Characteristic, induced her in the wane of
 Life, when her Daughters were ripening
 unto Womanhood to sequester them
 her Rivals from the World.

Which Confinement would most probably have
 existed Years, had not Jealousy and
 Revenge induced them to seek
 an Asylum in a Relative's
 Habitation.

Detested, spurn'd from Company, deserted
 by her Paramours :

No longer able to attract with personal Charms.
 No Loadstone in her Conversation :
 No longer the Zest of Debauchery !
 She yielded what it was not in her Power
 to Preserve ;

And as Fascination had forlook her,
So those who once were Friends and Acquaintance
No longer knew her!

To the Memory of the Candid, the Amiable,
though Frail M——y C——fs of ~~Felin~~n,
Young, Beauteous, Sensible, and Enchanting;
To sacrifice such eminent Virtues, such endearing
Bewitchedness, when the Passions are most
predominant to cold and extreme old
Age, was Guilt:

And for his Lordship to court what it was not
in his Power to gratify, proved him
A Dotard and a Fool.

The D— of ~~Hann~~n, sensible to her Ladyship's
Charms, did that which it had been better
was done by One not in his
Grace's Situation,

But which she, as a Woman, expected;
And as an Heroine upon discovery, attempted not
what it would have been false to conceal:
Furnishing her aged Consort with Documents of
her Guilt, that he might assert the Honour of
himself and Family, without unneces-
sary Trouble and Expence.

Soon

Soon after the Dutcheſs of H——n breaking
her heart upon her Huſband's
inconſtancy ;
His Grace repaired her Ladyſhip's Honor, by an
Alliance congenial to Happineſs
and Himſelf,
Which exiſted until her Death on the
Day of June 18—.

On an elegant Mauſoleum, near the Com-
munion Table, ſupported by Baboons,
with a Sarcophagus at the Baſe, repre-
ſenting a Groupe of Ourang Outangs and
Monkeys, weeping over his Lordſhip's
Grave.

To the Remembrance of the ingenious and
learned Theoriſt,

L——d M——o, *Montbodo*

Who not only conjoined in his Compoſition, the
Ideas of a Speculiſt, with the Abſurdi-
ties of a Madman ;

But endeavoured to ſpread Opinions, hetero-
geneous in themſelves,

Which, if credited, was not to the honour and
diſtinction of Human Nature, to
prove by Experiment.

Speech,

Speech, says this curious Naturalist, is an artifice
 acquirement, and that there are many Ani-
 mals in the Creation as well qualified to
 express their Ideas as the most sub-
 tile Logician, or the most
 persuasive Orator.

Further, that Monkeys are Men, and that M
 are Monkeys, in a civilized State;
 Which Ideas had such an effect upon his Lo
 ship's Mind, as to induce him, at the Insti-
 gation of some Persons, partly crediting
 his Theory, but more generally
 ironically ridiculing his
 Absurdities;

To establish an Academy for the civilization
 improvement of his numerous Tribe of
 newly acquired Friends;

And so far did his Enthusiasm lead him, as But upon
 make them his Table Companions to his the Fam
 own Edification, Inconvenience and the H
 Improvement, in their mischie-
 vous Qualities;

To the Terror and Annihilation of his Acqu
 tance, and to the Mortification of his
 Friends and Relations.

In this State of inimicity with the Human R
 degrading what was before ever confi-
 dered as peculiar to themselves;

And in this State, of unaccountable Venera
 for those Animals which have ever bee
 considered, not only distinguished in
 their Appearance, but garrulous
 and tormenting in the most
 infernal degree;

His Lordship would most probably have lived to
 have seen himself an Outcast of Society,
 which might have reformed his
 Ideas, and have induced him
 to recant his Doctrine,
 To the Sanitification of Himself, and to the
 Honour of Humanity;

Had not an Ourang Outang, unluckily one Morn-
 ing, provoked his Lordship to strike him for
 some violent Outrage on the Furniture,
 which proved his Death; and for which,
 as he had considered that Race as
 co-equal with the Human, he
 was tried by a Jury of Mon-
 keys, and sentenced to
 Death by the com-
 mon Hangman
 for Murder.

Anno Domini, 1814.

But upon a Representation of the Disgrace which
 the Family might incur, by interring him in
 the Highway, he was permitted to pur-
 chase a small Portion of this
 stately Edifice.

On a Monument near the South Entrance
raised by public Munificence.

To the Memory of
C——s F——x,
Whose Virtues and whose Endowments were
transcendent as to need little from sepul-
chral Effigies, or Literature.
In the true sense of the Word, he was a Patriot
as a Man he had some of the Frailties,
but none of the Vices ;
He first fell a Sacrifice to the tyranny of P——
But the People were his Supporters, and he was
the People's Friend :
—— — * * * *, however knew his inesti-
mable Virtues, and therefore
nourished them ;
Honours, Titles, and Riches were offered him
but he was above reward, and actually
died insolvent in the Year 18—,
His Abilities were as transcendent as his
Heart was amiable.
The Scholar, the Critic, and the Statesman, were
in him all conjoined to a superior degree,
And the Orator shone with such uncommon
gour and Brilliancy, as nearly to corro-
borate the Resurrection of De-
mosthenes and Cicero.

Near the Former on a small Tablet.

R—— B—— S——n, Esq.

In imitation of his Friend, C——s F——x,
Made himself a Slave to public Welfare, and for
his inestimable Virtues and unparalleled
Abilities, has procured un-
hypocritical Veneration
and immortal
Fame,
Beloved, honoured, and admired, he sunk into
the Receptacle of Mortality, full of
Years on the Day of
June, 18—.

On a neat Tablet.

To the Memory of
The Frail, the Enchanting, and the Sensible
Mrs. ~~Fitzhugh~~ t,
Who conjoined in a noble Mien, all the Accom-
plishments of Arts, and all the
Gifts of Nature,
Yet not callous to that which is universally
sought after

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She sacrificed to Royalty, the ties of Character and Virtue ;
She received from Royalty, Love, Gratification, Esteem, and Friendship.
Endowed with a just sense of her own Family inferiority, she sought not what she never could conscientiously accept:
Nevertheless armed with proper Pride,
She obtained the Summit of her wishes, and died in the Year 18—. universally lamented.



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